The following is my written testimony for the H.57 hearing.

Bill H.57 and its promise of abortions in all trimesters gives no protections to mothers and babies. As we have seen in the past weeks with other states the line between an unborn and just born baby has become so blurred that outright infanticide has been suggested by the Virginia Governor. Doctors say there is no medical need to abort a viable fetus and that in fact such a procedure puts the mothers health more at risk that a c-section. This bill offers no limits whatsoever to the needlessness of late term abortions. These are viable lives we are talking about here. Vermont can do better to protect the most vulnerable among us, our babies. Unfortunately the once unthinkable has become tolerated, then accepted, and now is being applauded.

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